

A

REVIEW

OF THE

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OF THE

BRITISH NATION.

Saturday, April 22. 1710.

I Have drawn up the two dreadful Armies, which are now rais'd in this *High-Church* War, lately begun among us, and I have done with that Party; I may have form'd them ill, *for I am no General*: But I challenge all the World to say, I have not fort'd them right, and that your Memory may not want to review them, I give you the State of them again. Thus;

The Enemies Army have in their first Line the *High-Church* in the Center, a Party of select *Domino-Dominoes* on their Right, and the Mob on the Left. In their second Line *Non-jurors* in the Center, *Papists* on

their Right, and the *Presunder* with his Mercenaries on their Left; and two Bodies of *Tackers* and *Bigotts* make the Reserves.

The Army they fight against has the *Commons* of Britain represented in the Center, in 558 Companies, the Number of the Towns and Countries they serve for; the QUEEN and the Nobility on the Right Wing, and the Church on her Left. The Bank and Exchequer guarded by the City, and led on by the Head of the Ministry at a Distance. The second Line has *Law* in the Center, *Union* on the Right, and *Tolerance* on the Left Wings, and all fighting under the Command of that Old General CONSTITUTION.

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Now these two formidable Armies being thus drawn out, let us enquire a little into their Motions : *The Enemy took the Field first* ; for Rebellion always goes before Defence ; and in this early Appearance they had some Advantage, for the whole Body of their Forces were form'd, and in full March to begin the Operations of their Campaign : When our General *Old Constitution*, tho' he had early Notice too, yet not thinking they would venture to attack him, did not draw his Troops together so soon as he should have done.

The Enemy being thus in the Field before us, began to range over the Territories of the Government, and indeed they had at first too much Advantage on us— For a great Body of their Dragoons, the same that make the Left Wing of their first Line, led by their new Renegade General TOM, fell upon the Cavalry of the Dissenters, as they lay quiet in their Winter Quarters, and made great Havock among them ; and had not her Majesty detach'd some Troops of Cuirassiers, who had already taken the Field, to their Assistance, they had been all cut in pieces. But these Horse coming in very seasonably, the Dragoons were repuls'd with a great Slaughter, and some of their principal Officers taken Prisoners, who will be try'd for Rebels, and made an Example to the rest. Their Standard-bearer also, one Sir Daniel Boast-book Staff, was taken, who was afterwards condemn'd to the Gallows, as he deserv'd.

The High Church Infantry had also by this Time with their Right Wing of Horse brought down their Body, and made several Shews of attacking the Troops, which Old General Constitution had got together ; but that subtle General lay still, and intrench'd himself, not so much for Fear to be attack'd, but like a true Soldier knowing they would attack him, and willing to let them do it as much to their Costs as could be.

The First that fell upon him was Lieutenant General Sacheverell, and the L— of the Great Horse, at the Head of 26 Squadrons of City-Horse— Indeed the Attack was more furious than at first was

expected ; for on the first Onset he broke into the Camp, beat down all the Defences Constitution had cast up—And made great Havock among the Foot, being also assisted by their main Body of Foot—Here Major General REVOLUTION was sore wounded ; three Colonels of Infantry, (*viz.*) LIBERTY, PROPERTY, and CITY were taken Prisoners—Lieutenant General UNION receiv'd a Contusion on the Breast, which it was fear'd would be mortal, but he is since recover'd ; a Beautiful Foreign Prince of the *Hannover* Family, call'd SUCCESSION, was knock't down, and was found afterward among the Slain, but had some Life in him : Her Majesty has order'd great Care to be taken of him, and we are told since, there are Hopes of his doing well still.

This was a great Surprize you may be sure to the whole Army, and the old General was sorely put to it : Now tho' he stood his Ground, and fought like a Lion, yet however he found he was like to be oppress'd with Multitude, and therefore he sent frequent Messengers one on the Neck of another to her Majesty for Succour— These Messengers were call'd by a hard Name, I think in other Armies they call them *Aids de Camp*, but here they call'd them ARTICLES.

Her Majesty, who stood all this while unmov'd at the Head of the Cavalry, with *Don Administration* at her Right Hand, finding the Great General CONSTITUTION in this Extremity, advanc'd to his Relief with the whole Right Wing— At the very Sight of this Succour, the Enemy began to faint, and slackned their Vigour, when after an obstinate Fight, which lasted a great while, they were repuls'd with great Slaughter ; and tho' they made their Retreat as well as they could, and were brought off by the Help of General TOM, who had rally'd his Forces again, and was come in to their Assistance, yet they were oblig'd to quit the Field— Here fell the Famous Lieutenant General Sacheverell, who was kill'd for three Years certain, at the Head of his Mob, just as he was retreating out of the Camp—

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The L—— of the Great H. . . escap'd by the Nimbleness of his Heels, having deny'd his own Name to an Officer that stoppt him, and also having fled in Time before there was any Danger, or at least before Things came to Extremities.

It is to be observ'd, That as the Queen with the *Cuirassiers*, or the Right Wing was advancing to relieve the Center, they were boldly charg'd by the Prince *de Quinquam* with the Left Wing of the Enemies Horse, and there began a terrible Fight: But her Majesty left her trusty General *Administratio* to make good that Part, and went in Person to the Assistance of her Beloved CONSTITUTION— Which issu'd as you have heard.

While the Cavalry was thus engag'd, the Infantry of the second Line began to advance; but having lost their General *Holtio*, who unhappily dy'd a few Days before the Battle, *they had receiv'd some Foll;* But an Officer of meaner Rank than a General, and who they call'd a *Mannager*, behav'd himself so well at the Head of that Body, that the Prince's Horse were put into Confusion, and had been quite overthrown, if he had not founded a Retreat in Time——For which Good Service, the QUEEN made that Gentleman General of the *Law-Infantry* upon the Spot, in the Room of Old *Holtio* that dy'd.

As for the Left Wing, *viz.* the Church and her Life-Guard, of the *Eighty Eight Men* call'd MODERATION, they never engag'd, for the Enemy made only some faint Attacks upon them at a Distance: But finding the Brave *Don Gilberto Caledonio* at their Head, and in a Posture to receive them, they bent their Force rather All upon General CONSTITUTION, knowing, if they could but conquer him, they should have the Church-Troops all at Mercy, and could cut them in pieces as they pleas'd.

Thus ended the first Battle, and the Enemy were every where ~~repuls'd~~—— Their Troops quitted the Field, and retir'd farther up the Country. Upon which CONSTITUTION, seeing no more Enemies to engage with, has separated his

Troops for a Time, but not so, but that they may be drawn together again at the first Summons in a very little Time.

Now after such a Rout as this, *is it not very strange*, that these Scoundrels should boast of the Victory, and make Bonfires and Illuminations thro' all their Territories? *But this they do*, tho' really 'tis so foolish, that it exposes them horribly; *however, it keeps their Factions alive*, and helps them to recruit their Forces, which they are doing with all possible Expedition, and they pretend, that e're long we shall have a more decisive Battle with them. *The sooner the better say I.*

Indeed there is no great Fear of them this Year, *their Loss will not be so soon repair'd*, nor they in a Condition to take the Field; if there is any Fear of them, it will be next Year, when they have strengthened their Interest, recruited their Forces, and when we must come to Hands with them on a particular Occasion, call'd ELECTIONS. But there is no great Fear of them, for the Time is remote, and there is no doubt, the Eyes of the Country People will be open'd before that Time, that they will not find any Revolts to their Party, as they give out they expect.

Mean time, neither ought any of the Friends to the Constitution to be slack or idle in their Preparations.

The Reader is desir'd to note,

That whereas in drawing up the Enemies Army lately, the 52 Squadrons of *Cuirassiers*, under the Leading of his Highness, &c. had the Right Wing in the first drawing up their Army, they were pleas'd to change that Order since, and take the Left of the Army. For two Reasons which accidentally presented themselves afterwards.

1. Because they found, the QUEEN appear'd upon the Right of the Constitution-Army, and it was the particular Custom of that *Heroe Prince* to be always opposite to the QUEEN.


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2. Because, the Church of *England* and her Guard of Moderation appear'd in the Left of the Constitution-Army, and it was most rational to their Cause to set their Mob upon the Church.

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